THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI) : (a) to (d) The post of Lecturer does not exist in the Medical/non-Medical faculty cadre at Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, Chandigarh. However, the posts of Lecturers exist in the College of Nursing and Medical Technology for teaching of B.Sc/M.Sc (Nursing)/ (Medical Technology) students. No increment has been withheld of any of the Lecturers working at PGIMER, Chandigarh. Since there is no other higher post in the cadre, the question of not promoting eligible Lecturers for the last 2 years does not arise.

[English]

Bridges in A.P.

3447. SHRI VENKATARAMI REDDY ANANTHA : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the proposals for construction of new bridges on National Highways in Andhra Pradesh pending with the Union Government for approval; and

(b) the action being taken by the Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) Six numbers of proposals for construction of new bridges on National Highways in Andhra Pradesh, are at different stages of scrutiny.

Ashes of Netaji

3448. SHRI K. PRADHANI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have proposal to bring back the ashes of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose from Tokyo; and

(b) if so, the steps taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) No final view has been taken on this matter till now.

(b) Does not arise.

Bridges on N.H. 5 in Orissa

3449. SHRI ANCHAL DAS : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) the carrying capacity and life of the river bridges over river Brahmani and Kharsrota on National Highway No. 5 between Cuttack and Balasore and average capacity being handled by each of the two bridges; and

(b) the steps taken to strengthen, widen and construct additional bridges on the said rivers on NH 5 in the aforesaid section?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) Normal design life of a permanent bridge on a river is 50 years. The average traffic being handled by these bridges is 26931 PCU

(b) There is no proposal either to strengthen and widen these bridges or to build additional bridges on these rivers in this section.

Madrasas in Jammu and Kashmir

3450. SHRI CHAMAN LAL GUPTA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) number of Madrasas working in Jammu and Kashmir run by Jamait Islami;

(b) whether these Madrasas are engaged in anti-national activities; and

(c) if so, the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be placed on the table of the Sabha.

Water for Daman and Diu

3451. SHRI GOPAL TANDEL : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Madhuban Dam was constructed on the border of Dadra and Nagar haveli (U.T.) in 1986 and completed by the Gujarat Government solely for the purpose of providing and sharing waters of Daman Gabga among Gujarat and Union Territories of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman for drinking and irrigational purpose; and

(b) the steps being taken by the Gujarat Government and the Daman Administration in providing required share for irrigational purposes to the Union Territory of Daman when the people of Daman have been suffering on account of shortage of irrigation water?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA) : (a) and (b) Yes. Sir. Madhuban Dam was completed in 1989. The canal system is at various stages of completion. Out of ultimate irrigation potential of 41,433 ha, 7114 ha and 3102 ha upto June, 1996; 24708 ha, 5844 ha and 1571 ha have been created in Gujarat, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman, respectively.

The main constraints for completion of balance works are land acquisition problem and encroachments of canal lands by local people especially in Union Territory of Daman.

Development of Management Institutions

3452. SHRI RAJENDRA SINH RANA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) the number of management institutions working in the direction of Indian Ethos and value systems, State-wise; and

(b) the steps, the Government taken so far to enhance the overall development of institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) Management Education oriented towards Indian experiences and value system has been well emphasised in the National Policy on Education and the Programme of Action. Some institutes are working in this direction. The State-wise details however, are not available.

(b) In 1981 and in 1992 reviews of Indian Institutes of Management were conducted through expert committees and the recommendations were suitably acted upon. The All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has taken the following steps to improve the quality of management education in the country :-

(i) Setting up of an All India Board of Management Studies;

(ii) Development of Norms and Standards for approval of institutions.

(iii) Periodic monitoring of institutions for compliance/fulfilment of conditions of approvals; and

(iv) Encouraging a competitive environment through the process of accreditation by National Board of Accreditation.

Financial Incentives to Shipping Industry

3453. SHRI NAMDEO DIWATHE : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have formulated a package of financial incentives to be provided to shipping industry for ensuring healthy growth in the emerging competitive global scenario;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of financial investment proposed in the shipping sector both public and private separately during the current year and next three year; and

(d) the details of targets set for the current year?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : (a) and (b) There is no financial incentive package provided by the Government to the shipping industry.

(c) and (d) Working Group on shipping set up by the Government has recommended acquisition of 3.7 million Gross Registered Tonnes (GRT) in Private and Public Sectors during the 9th Five Plan i.e. 1997-98 to 2001-2002 at an investment of Rs. 15,000/- crores (approx.) including investment of Rs. 5611/- crores by Shipping Corporation of India, a public sector shipping company. The tonnage target of the 8th plan (1992-93 to 1996-97) of reaching 7 million Gross Registered Tonne has already been achieved.

Mal-Functioning of Mid-day Meal Scheme

3454. SHRI I.D. SWAMI : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Public Accounts Committee has severely indicated the Orissa Government for large scale corruption and mal-functioning of the mid-day meal scheme;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;

(c) whether the Government of Orissa has submitted any explanations to the indictment by the PAC, if so, the details thereof;

(d) the names of State Governments which have not been implementing the mid day meal scheme properly and involved in corrupt practices;

(e) whether the Municipal Corporation of Delhi has invited tenders for the supply of "Monaco type" salted biscuits but purchased some other quality and not the Monaco type biscuits; and

(f) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (f) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Medical College in Tripura

3455. SHRI BAJU BAN RIYAN :
SHRI BADAL CHOUDHURY :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Tripura Government to set up a medical college in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and